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Appleton City is going to have a poultry show.

A woman can always be happy without a man to rule her, but she can be happier with one to do it.

The mass meeting of the citizens held in the opera house last Thursday afternoon ought to be productive of good results.

The surplus in the United States Treasury is worrying the Democratic newspapers much worse than it does the Republicans.

It will be better for the people to have a Republican administration spend the surplus in the treasury than a Democratic administration. The Republicans will spend it for improvements so as to better the condition of the country and give employment to labor. The Democrats would spend it to buy gold to keep up the reserve.

Not long ago a mill burned down in this community. The owner had demonstrated his capacity to run a mill. He commenced with comparatively nothing. He built up a business, large and prosperous. The Farmers Mill was a credit to Rich Hill and added greatly to the name and fame of the city. Why not help Mr. LaMar on his feet again.

The court house will be finished early next year and our Republican friends ought to be looking round for the proper men to fill it. You know there is something said about some people building houses and wise men living in them. Now the Republicans want to select their very best men and elect them to occupy the new court house. It can be done if you will.

The Post Office Department is after the Appeal to Reason. We have an idea the Appeal will get through all right. We hope, however, the Department will not overlook such publications as Comfort, Sunshine and several other such nuisances as we had to contend with the years we were postmaster in this city. We presume they come here yet. They have no legitimate subscription list now and never did have and the kind of advertising they carry should not be allowed to go into any family.

The Butler merchants ought to have a big Christmas trade this year and there is but one way to draw the people to this town to do their holiday shopping. Put the goods and Christmas presents on sale and advertise them. The merchant should not hold his wares in cold storage until a week or two before the holidays and then expect to spring a surprise on the public by putting a few articles on exhibition in a show window. If a big Xmas trade is desired the merchants must go after it by advertising attractively in a newspaper, and the earlier the better. Butler Express a good plan for Rich Hill merchants to follow.

The Republican caucus of Representatives in Congress met last Saturday and after quite a contest to change the Reed rules of order, had the wisdom to let them stand. This given assurance that this Congress will be a working Congress. Things will be done and not talked to death.

The Louisiana Purchase World's Fair will ask Congress for another appropriation. Rome appropriated money out of her treasury for gladiatorial fights with wild beasts in her public amphitheatres. We appropriate money out of our treasury for the purpose of displaying the arts of industry, the products of agriculture and the progress of science. In the one case the appropriation brutalized, in the other it elevates and ennobles.

Prof. G. W. Ritchey of the Yerkes Observatory, believes he has discovered positive proof of the truth of the nebular theory of creation. So far as we are concerned he needn't have worked so hard and so long to prove a thing we have always believed ever since we first heard it suggested, but what a fearful shock it will give the theology of a vast majority of the human family, if Prof. Ritchey has actually gotten the proof he says he has.

So far in the discussion of state matters we have not seen those familiar Democratic words, "rascals," "scoundrels," "thieves," etc., ad libitum, used by any of the Republican papers. We have not even seen the word "liar" used except in a Democratic paper. We presume the reason of this is that Republican newspaper men generally are gentlemen and also know that calling names is not argument, nor does it take the place of good solid facts.

The Democrats in Congress don't seem to agree on anything. There seems to have been an effort in their caucus last Saturday to take advantage of the loophole in the tariff question made by the bad breaks of Congressman Babcock with his revision notions, but they couldn't agree. They took up the Porto Rican and Cuban question but dropped it like a hot potato. They tried to unite on opposition to the ship subsidy bill but were unable to make it. Resolutions were introduced outlining a colonial or territorial policy in which the executive or military authority of the United States was used "outside the sanctions and safeguards of the constitution."

The reading of the resolutions was opposed by Mr. Richardson, the leader in the last Congress, but he was howled down by his followers. When the full purport of the resolutions was realized by the assembled Democrats, Mr. Boll of Texas, wanted to offer as a substitute for them the Kansas City platform of the party. Burleson, of Texas, got in his resolution barring the Democrats from seeking patronage favors from the administration, and Fitzgerald, of New York, offered a gold standard resolution. At this stage it seemed that pandemonium would break out; that instead of securing an agreement through the caucus for a single line of action, there would be a bolt of the different factions without caucus action. Richardson saw the danger threatened and made an earnest plea for harmony and a settlement of differences. He secured a temporary respite by having the resolutions referred to a committee, which will report at a caucus to be held January 10.

Just what shape this leaves the Democrats in for the session is difficult to determine.

MISSOURI FINANCES.

Some Interesting Facts Concerning Certain "Large" Against Republican Administration.

To the Editor of the St. Louis Republic:
Salem, Mo., November 28.—The following unjust reflection on the Republican administration in this state certainly merits some apology from you unless you repudiate Au-

ditor Allen's recent extraordinary report.

The Globe Democrat asks if it is not "about time to send a party to Jefferson City that can be trusted to take care of property that could be stolen or abused if thieves obtained access to it?" That is exactly what was done by the people of this state in 1870, when they drove the radical Republican party from power at the state capital. The Republicans then in power had failed to "take care of property," and "thieves" had obtained "access to it"—St. Louis Republic November 23, 1901.

Your attention is called to the following official figures:

Debt reduction, 1865 to 1900, 4th in-	\$21,500,000.00
State interest, fund receipts, 1865-70,	16,580,505.33
Exhibit 1, table A.	
Score interest fund balances, January 1,	1871, exhibit 1, table A.
In fund of trust agents	79,000.00
State sinking fund balances, January 1,	1871, exhibit 1, table B—cash
In hands of fiscal agents	2,400.00
—Auditor Allen's Report.	

With both of these statements extant, the question of their harmonizing becomes a "Banquo's ghost."

If it is true that the Republicans who had "access to" and were in control of state property from the beginning of 1865 to the close of 1870 were such villainous "thieves," as your statement charges, how do you account for the reduction of the state's debts during that time \$6,017,309.67 more than all the money received for that purpose, as sworn to by the auditor?

Also, if it is true, as your article insinuates and charges, those Republicans were rogues and thieves, how do you account for their leaving in the state interest and state sinking funds \$1,019,607.33 when they retired; and that, too, after having paid out over \$6,000,000 more than they had received—as sworn to by Auditor Allen?

Furthermore, is it not truth painful to you that, during those identical six years, in the reign of those Republican "thieves," as you denigrate them, the capital of the state school fund was increased from \$718,235.25 (see page 31, auditor's extraordinary report, November 2, 1901) to \$1,654,986.75 (see page 32, ibid)—a net increase of \$935,751.50.

Are not your charges and insinuations that the Republicans who managed the state's financial affairs and trust funds were plunderers, rogues and thieves wonderfully discounted and terribly disproved by the auditor's recent extraordinary report (verified by expert "certified accountants" of national reputation) which exhibits a clear net credit balance in their (Republicans) favor of \$7,973,668.53?

And is it not a fact that Auditor Allen's recent extraordinary report is strongly corroborated by the late Hon. John Walker (when he was auditor) in his 1885-86 report (pages 202 and 203 in second part) wherein he confessed "that there remains to be accounted for (as credit to Republican administrations) a balance of \$2,371,109.60?"

And is it not true that the difference in those credit balances as given

BAD BLOOD

Reveals itself in many ways. Sometimes the impurities in the blood mark and mar the skin with blotches, pimples, boils or other eruptions. Sometimes the result of bad blood is rheumatism or a debilitated condition which is popularly described as "feeling played out, hardly able to drag myself around."

The impurities and poisons which corrupt the blood, clog the liver and cloud the skin are removed by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It does more than eliminate the poisons; it increases the activity of the blood-making glands so that there is an increased supply of pure, body-building blood. It brightens the eyes, cleanses the skin, and gives new, physical energy.

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"I thank God for the good poor medicines he has sent me," writes Mr. James M. Hamilton, of Mitchell, S. D. "I had been sick for two years. My blood was almost gone, head ached, and back ached nearly all the time. My weight was 120 pounds. I was taken sick with typhoid fever, and when the fever left me I had such a pain in my left side I could not breathe without pain. I thought I must die. My wife went to the drug store and procured a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and a box of his Pleasant Pellets. I discontinued the use of my mother's medicine and began with the 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Pleasant Pellets.' I at once began to feel better. The pain soon left my side and I could breathe with ease. In a week or so I felt no more pain and was able to get up. I began to walk about the streets. I felt better each morning. After a month's use of the medicine I was well. That was over a year ago. Now I weigh 175 pounds and feel better than ever in my life."
Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation.

by Mr. Walker and Mr. Allen is fully explained by the failure of the former to make allowances for interest payments on the state debt?

Is it not a fact, also, that Auditor Walker's report (see page 202) shows that the greater part of the debt reductions for which corresponding receipts are not charged, occurred during the administration of Thomas C. Fletcher—1865-68?

Now, Mr. Editor of the Republic, do you think that the record evidence twice reviewed by Democrat auditors, and once verified by experts, justifies your stigmatizing the state officers who had the custody of state funds and management of state fiscal affairs, as plunderers, rogues and thieves?

Does it not strain the flexibility of your conscience to vilify, malign and traduce state officers, whose record, as verified by experts, shows that each and every dollar of trust money they received \$1,313 1/3 was applied to the reduction of the public debt of the state, and then turn around and hold up as apostles of purity other officers, whose equally verified record shows that for each dollar of the reduction of the principal of the state's indebtedness (when they took charge) during their reign \$3.12 of trust funds have been consumed—at least have disappeared?

That you may not misunderstand nor misconstrue the latter part of the last question, the following data from the recent report is submitted:

Debt January 1, 1871	\$20,000,000.00
Debt December 31, 1900	5,418,210.41
Difference—reduced	\$14,581,789.59
Receipts—money on hand January 1, 1871	2,000,000.00
Paid by H. and St. Joe railroad company	3,400,000.00
Cash realized on treasury and school funds	1,400,000.00
Revenue fund—total	5,800,000.00
State interest fund taxes, 1871-1900	30,471,017.07
Total of assets and receipts applicable to payment of state debt	\$44,671,789.59

If it does not readily occur to you that the sum of funds which should have been applied to the payment of the state's indebtedness is within a narrow fraction of 312 per cent of what that debt has been reduced since January 1, 1871, just refer the matter to Haskins & Sells—or Kohn, Popper & Co.

Of course, these record facts, all "assembled" by Democrat officials, are directly against what you have been endeavoring to make the people of Missouri believe to be the truth; but, inasmuch as you have emitted slanderous effusions you are appealed to to give the same publicity to the real truth that has been established by your own witnesses.

Very respectfully,
M. W. GUSTIN

News Notes From the Capital

The 37th congress will take its time in considering matters and will not be rushed into work that it has not fully digested. Rep. Henderson, of Iowa, who will certainly be elected speaker of the house, has told his colleagues that, if elected, he intends to stick to precedent and not name the committees until just before the adjournment for the Christmas holidays. This refers, of course, to the general list, some few committees always being announced almost immediately after assembling; among these are powerful committees on rules, which conducts the business of the House and decides, not merely what congress shall do, but even what it shall, or shall not, discuss. Sometimes the committee on appropriations is named early, in view of the immense amount of work it must attend to and the necessity of losing no time. The committee on mileage and accounts is always named early in order that it may speedily audit the claims of the members for their transportation expenses in coming to Washington. Possibly, if the senate acts without delay on the Nicaraguan canal treaty, the house committee on commerce may also be named early to permit it to formulate a bill for the construction of that waterway. For other sixty-odd committees, however, will not be named until after the middle of December.

The work of congress will really begin on Saturday, Nov. 30, after the session will not be formally opened until Monday. On Saturday.

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Special Selling.

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